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We call the attention of our readers to an editorial from the San Francisco Call, captioned "Good Government," which will be found on our first page. It will be found very pleasant reading, especially for the oligarchical annexationists, whose pledges have been violated a thousand times over. The day of reckoning will surely come.

## TOURIST TRAVELLING.

If we have not met with great success, we have at least made a bluff, of encouraging tourist travelling to the Islands. We have advertised the country in newspapers and through pamphlets, and show-men, like Thurston, have travelled from West to East showing hula girls and dime museums to impress upon the mind of the unwary Yankee that Honolulu is the place par excellence to visit during well-earned vacations.

Hawaii has been represented at numerous exhibitions and we have received gold medals for our "Okole-hao" and honorable mention for our school books and benches. We have shown the world that the main feature in the character of the Hawaiians is their ability to tinkle-tinkle on an "ukulele" and to twist and to twirl, and that our coffee is aromatic but not profitable.

By the way, why does Mr. Thurston's organ take up the cudgels against the Hawaiian village which is to be presented at Omaha fair and against John Wilson's Hawaiian troupe of singers and hula girls? Has it been forgotten that Mr. Thurston was the first to publicly introduce the hula as a characteristic Hawaiian dance into the United States? Is it not a fact that the hula girls and guitar climping boys were the main attraction at the fair where he represented the Hawaiian exhibit and his cyclorama? Wilson's troupe is half-decent at least while the one managed by Mr. Thurston was a disgusting disgrace to the islands and to our people. Mr. Thurston, like the French *demi monde*, becomes virtuous as he becomes older, and the twirl and the twist of Wilson's gang makes him angry while he has forgotten the antics of the beauties with whom he travelled.

We think it is a pity that Hawaii should be placed on exhibition as a semi-barbarous country to draw tourists to Honolulu. The visitors at Omaha may believe that the village and the semi-nude girls and the beer-voiced singers are representative of life in Hawaii, and they might come here to see the "fun" and be disagreeably surprised to find modern buildings, well lighted streets, telephones and rubber-tired hacks, and the hulas under strict police supervision. They will find that the Hawaiian women dress very much like their sisters on the mainland, only a little more expensive; that they don't wear skirts made of ti leaves, and that to many of them the hula is an unknown dance. They will find that the Hawaiian men as a rule don't travel around with a

guitar and a cracked voice, but mostly are found with a bunch of sugar sticks, or a lasso or a coa-shovel in their hands as the case may be. To falsely represent Hawaii and life in the islands is very easy, but it will not promote tourist travelling nor benefit the country in the long run.

We can well understand that Governor Cleghorn declined the honor of presiding over the Hawaiian exhibit at Omaha. It would hardly have been dignified for Princess Kaiulani's father to publicly countenance an exhibition of hula dancing and grass huts as characteristic incident in Hawaiian life.

The selection of Mr. E. Towse of the Advertiser to represent Hawaii at Omaha is undoubtedly very good. Mr. Towse may not know the intricacies of the hula, but he is a versatile talker and well posted on present conditions in Hawaii, and being a newspaper man he will not find himself an abject slave of the truth.

To encourage tourist travelling we must first and foremost look towards accommodations for our visitors. We must have hotel facilities equal to those found in other civilized countries. We must have means of inter-island transportation which are up to date, and we must not pack passengers who are in search of health and scenery and rest among ill-smelling fertilizers and half-nude sweating Asiatic coolies. The time has come when we must have passenger steamers arranged according to the exorbitant prices charged. Our steamship companies cannot afford to go on as at present. If they persist, opposition lines will surely be started. Fancy a passenger steamer towing a sailing vessel on her regular trip to another port, arriving nearly ten hours after the scheduled time, to the great suffering and annoyance of the passengers who paid the high rates demanded and expected a swift passage. Imagine a party of tourists boarding the "finest" steamer in the local fleet and expecting to enjoy the scenery as the vessel passes the island, and find themselves crowded to the ends of the vessel by a beastly looking half-nude horde of of recently imported Japanese coolies. Can anyone under the circumstances blame the tourists for kicking and when at home giving a black eye to the Islands?

If tourist travelling to the Islands with the subsequent advantages and gains is to be promoted let us begin by "reforming" at home and cease to use hula girls and grass huts as drawing cards. Hawaii should be the Switzerland of the Pacific; but the Swiss attend to the comfort of their guests and they don't advertise the vile points of their home life abroad.

## THE LAST STRAW.

It was painful to THE INDEPENDENT and Serebo to notice that Mr. Dole, the righteous "pill" of the church actually attended a dinner and a dance on a Sunday on board an Argentine man-of-war. It was what annexation has brought to us! Has Satan entered with the Stars and Stripes and even drawn the head of our Christian el que into the whirlpool of champagne and general desecration of the Sabbath? In 1869 an Austrian man-of-war arrived here in distress. Something had happened to her propeller, and she remained here for many months for repair. She was an old three-decker with a crew of over 700 men. On the first Sunday the men were landed and marched to the Roman Catholic Church to the tune of the excellent band belonging to the ship. The Christians in Fort-street Church held up their hands in horror and a committee was appointed to wait on the Admiral and pray him to stop the music before all went to Hades. The Austrian Admiral looked non-plussed, but he was a gentleman and said "Shontlemen, if you

wants to go to hell midout music, I will not prevent you. My band will stop behind."

Later on he thought he would give his crew some entertainment and he ordered the band to play on a Sunday afternoon on a sandhill out of town where Thomas Square is now. Everybody enjoyed the concert, but the Earnest Christians came around again and protested and the Admiral closed his music box, remarking that it was no use casting "hearts to schweins."

But behold the change, concerts on Sundays at Makoa Island, illicit liquor-selling everywhere, fast horses, and gay women flouting before the eyes of the Earnest Christians and escorted by the descendants of the "noble" Puritans of the Fort-street Church. But the back of the Drummer has been broken. "Et tu S. B. D." muttered the last of the upholders of the Sabbath when our President stroked his whiskers and smirked a smile among the galaxy of beauty on board the Catholic man-of-war on a Sunday, and looked at boat races, prize fighting, athletic sports and illuminations and the wine when it was red, and the bells from the Central Union Church rang out "Et tu S. B. D.; Et tu S. B. D." and Serebo wept.

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## Cricket in India.

Prince Ranjitsinhji's wonderful prowess as a batsman has evidently given a great impetus to cricket in India. The Maharajah of Patiala engaged, some time ago, certain English professionals to teach the noble game to his people, and it is announced that a team from India will visit England next year. The team will include Dr. M. E. Pavri, who is expected to play for Kent this season; Mistri, who is said to be a better batsman than "Ranji," and a formidable bowler, R. Jagopaul-charri. London journals are already beginning to speculate what name English crowds will give to this bowler. Some imagine it will be "Go-it Paul."

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ANDREW BROWN,  
Superintendent of Water Works  
Approved J. A. King,  
Minister of Interior.  
Honolulu, June 4, 1899.

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